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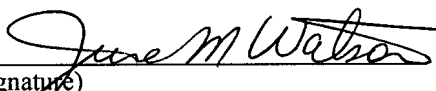
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PLACING SUTURE  
WIRES INTO TISSUE FOR THE APPROXIMATION AND  
TENSIONING OF TISSUE

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this amendment.

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